



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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For Crop Week Ending Sunday, July 18, 2010 Released July 19, 2010 Volume 10 Number 20

CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 5.7
Soil moisture supplies: 9% very short, 25% short, 58% adequate and 8% surplus

Field Crops Report
Scattered showers and thunderstorms were received across the state. Rice harvest began on a small scale this week in fields in the southern part of the state. Thunderstorms, wind and rain caused some rice to be laid down. Soybeans showed some damage from root rot development, and some producers sprayed with a fungicide for disease control. Sugarcane producers prepared land for planting.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops
Producers continued to harvest greenhouse and field tomatoes, watermelons, peas, okra and eggplants. Heavy rains received again this week in parts of the state created conditions for increased disease problems for some vegetable growers. Some vegetable producers began preparing land for fall crops. Citrus producers continued scouting for insects.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report
Pasture overgrowth concerned some producers. Army worms continued to be a problem for some producers. Cattle producers removed bulls and finished breeding practices. Pastures in some areas benefited from increased moisture. Crawfish farmers planted rice.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2009	5 YR AVG
Corn	Dough	95	87	95	92
Cotton	Squaring	96	93	100	98
	Setting Bolls	73	60	79	76
Hay	First cutting	100	99	100	100
	Second cutting	58	46	34	42
Peaches	Harvested	70	55	73	81
Rice	Headed	73	57	57	65
	Ripe	5	1	1	2
Sorghum	Headed	98	95	93	88
	Coloring	61	51	34	36
Soybeans	Blooming	86	79	83	84
	Setting Pods	66	49	69	67
	Turning Color	2	1	2	3
Sweet Potatoes	Planted	100	99	100	100

CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Corn	1	13	34	47	5
Cotton	0	13	25	57	5
Rice	0	2	18	48	32
Sorghum	0	5	31	57	7
Soybeans	1	10	33	49	7
Sugarcane	1	8	30	35	26
Sweet Potatoes	0	3	30	65	2
Livestock	1	7	38	48	6
Vegetables	4	17	41	36	2
Pasture	2	9	42	41	6

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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 07/12/10 TO 07/18/10

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	MAX	MIN	AVE	NRM	WEEKLY TOTAL	FOUR WEEKS	YR. TO DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	98	75	85	83	0.36	2.44	17.10	30.34
Minden	99	73	84	82	0.07	3.49	20.63	32.91
Mooringsport	98	74	86	MM	1.03	5.29	22.41	27.14
Extreme/Average	99	73	85	83	0.49	3.74	20.05	30.98
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	100	74	85	83	0.13	1.92	15.45	33.24
Homer/Hill Farm	97	72	83	81	0.09	2.96	21.78	32.86
ULM-Monroe	100	74	86	83	0.26	5.16	22.61	35.09
Columbia Lock	101	74	86	MM	0.10	2.09	16.60	36.26
Extreme/Average	101	72	85	83	0.15	3.03	19.11	33.92
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	99	72	85	82	1.85	3.03	18.13	36.24
LSU-St Joseph	99	75	86	83	0.82	1.69	19.76	34.48
LSU-Winnsboro	(102)	72	86	82	0.06	1.68	16.59	34.41
Tallulah	97	73	84	82	0.43	3.47	21.24	35.85
Extreme/Average	102	72	85	83	0.79	2.47	18.93	35.17
4. West-Central								
Leesville	101	72	84	82	0.68	3.77	17.80	33.04
LSU-Rosepine	99	72	85	81	0.43	6.61	24.07	33.29
Natchitoches	102	73	87	83	0.00	1.07	15.31	32.30
Extreme/Average	102	72	85	82	0.37	3.82	17.80	32.66
5. Central								
Alexandria	101	73	86	83	0.66	7.45	25.58	34.39
Brusly	MM	MM	MM	81	M.MM	M.MM	MM.MM	35.92
Bunkie	99	72	85	83	0.67	4.34	29.57	36.29
LSU-Alexandria	101	72	85	82	0.19	4.14	24.90	33.06
Extreme/Average	101	72	85	83	0.51	5.31	26.68	34.84
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	98	72	83	MM	0.29	3.88	26.92	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	94	73	84	82	0.01	3.30	25.60	35.37
Amite	97	(70)	83	81	0.01	4.08	28.83	38.77
LSU-Hammond	95	70	83	82	0.07	4.52	21.91	36.47
Slidell	93	75	84	82	0.10	4.61	33.05	35.88
Extreme/Average	98	70	84	82	0.10	4.08	27.26	37.44
7. Southwest								
DeRidder	98	73	85	82	0.00	5.37	24.78	34.43
Jennings	97	74	85	82	0.50	6.31	25.42	33.05
LSU-Crowley	98	73	85	82	0.07	7.60	26.25	33.70
Extreme/Average	98	73	85	83	0.19	6.43	25.48	33.65
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	94	74	84	82	0.68	8.24	28.93	34.61
LSU-Jeanerette	95	73	84	81	1.17	16.08	34.67	34.57
Morgan City	93	75	84	81	0.76	7.14	19.16	34.66
Extreme/Average	95	73	84	83	0.87	10.49	27.59	34.82
9. Southeast								
Galliano	94	73	84	82	0.35	6.68	29.34	36.36
Houma	95	72	84	82	0.49	9.07	30.01	35.31
Terrytown 3S	97	71	85	MM	0.91	6.12	34.40	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	82	0.00	9.79	28.44	38.38
Extreme/Average	97	71	84	83	0.58	7.29	31.25	36.01
State								
State Averages	102	70	85	83	0.42	5.18	24.28	34.50

M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. to Date = Through July 18, 2010

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